

REMARKS

New Claims 58-63 are directed to the flexible earmold tips 16 and 60 embodiments shown in various figures. Each of these tips may contain a receiver/speaker 26, for example, as shown in Fig. 18 of the application as filed. Accordingly, no new matter has been added by this amendment.

The arguments made in the Amendment filed January 30, 2003 at page 12, part B with respect to the Voroba and Diethelm patents apply equally to the instant claims, and early allowance is requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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